

Haynes School Newsletter - May 9, 2017

Co-Chairs May Newsletter

Happy Spring! As we head into May at Haynes, we kicked off the month with Teacher Appreciation Week last week. We are so lucky to have such talented and dedicated teachers to support and enrich the lives of our students. Festival season is also in full swing and our 4th graders will soon be heading off to Odyssey. MCAS testing is again underway, field trips are happening, 5th grade activities are starting up and Spring Book Fair and Field Day are being planned. It is an exciting and busy time for our community and we want to thank all parents, teachers and staff for helping us to make such great opportunities available. Please let us know if you are interested in getting involved with HOP – there are lots of opportunities!

As we welcome May, please note the following dates in this busy month and next!

- May 8-12 – MCAS Testing: Grades 4 and 5 Math
- May 13 – 5th Grade Car Wash and Bake Sale from 10am-2pm at Haynes
- May 16-17 – MCAS Testing: Grade 5 Science
- May 18 – Grade 3 Whale Day
- May 19 – Food Pantry Collection
- May 20 – Rain Date for 5th Grade Car Wash
- May 24 – ILAP
- May 24-26 – Grade 4 Odyssey
- May 29 – Memorial Day: No School
- June 2 – HOP General Meeting at 9:30am
- June 5-9 – Spring Book Fair
- June 6 – Kindergarten Orientation
- June 6 – Grade 4 Rocks and Minerals
- June 8 – Kindergarten Chicken Festival
- June 9 – 5th Grade Fun Night
- June 14 – Field Day
- June 19 – Grade 5 Moving On Ceremony
- June 20 – Last Day of School (1/2 Day)

– Mandy and Dayna

THIS WEEKEND!!!! 5th Grade Suds and Sweets Car Wash and Bake Sale!

The 5th grade is proud to host **Suds and Sweets**, the Haynes annual car wash and bake sale on **Saturday May 13th from 10:00am – 2:00 pm** in the Haynes parking lot. Drive on by and for just \$10, 5th graders will wash your vehicle!

5th graders and parents/guardians – we need you!! Funds raised benefit June celebrations for the 5th grade. All 5th graders and their parents/guardians are encouraged and welcome to participate in the Car Wash. Sign up for a shift or bring baked goods or water! (**store-bought, nut-free, baked goods encouraged!**) Please go to the [volunteer page](#) and check out all the opportunities. Volunteering for this fundraiser is for 5th graders and their parents/guardians only please. Any questions? Contact Co-Chairs [Molly Logan](#), [Emily Hayes](#), or [Maggie Walsh](#).

HOP General Meeting – Friday, June 2nd

The last HOP General Meeting of the year will be held in the Haynes cafeteria on Friday, June 2nd at 9:30 a.m. We will be voting on the 2017-2018 HOP budget, voting in the new Board Members and updating everyone on all HOP happenings at this meeting. Please join us!

2017-2018 HOP Board Nominees:

- **Co-Chair: Nalini Luthra**
- **Fundraising Co-Chair: Colleen Whalen**
- **Assistant Treasurer: Ojas Tamhane**
- **Secretary: Christina Phaneuf**

Kindergarten Chicken Festival is coming Thursday, June 8th!

The Chick Fest is a fun morning of activity and craft stations and even a special guest! There are many ways you can help with this great event. Click [HERE](#) to view the sign up with detailed descriptions. Now is the time to sign up! If you have any questions contact [Emily](#) or [Dayna](#).

Spring Book Fair to Benefit the Haynes Library – June 5th-8th

The trees are leafing out and the lilacs are in bloom which means that spring is finally here **AND** that the **Annual Spring Book Fair** is just around the corner! Please stop by the Haynes library **Monday-Thursday, June 5th-8th** and browse the great selection of books for summer reading. Pick up some titles for your children or help them choose their favorites.

Please consider volunteering for a 40-minute time slot [HERE](#) during your child's class visit to the book fair. Extra hands are essential to make the fair a success. Volunteers for grades K-2 will mainly help the students make selections and/or write titles on their wish lists while those for grades 3-5 will also help with the register if needed.

Proceeds from the book fair provide vital support to our wonderful library for the acquisition of new books and more. This is also an opportunity to purchase City of Orphans by Avi, the "one school, one book" required reading for 5th graders attending Curtis next year.

Textile Bin Donations – Support Haynes While Spring Cleaning!

Don't forget to use the Textile Bin at Haynes when spring cleaning! Just bag up any unneeded clothes, footwear, hats, gloves, linens (sheets, blankets, towels, rags), and even stuffed animals! HOP is given money based on per ton donated!

Important: Haynes MCAS 2.0 Schedule for Spring 2017

Included below is the specific schedule for the upcoming MCAS test. These are the exact dates your child(ren) will be taking the exam. Please encourage your child to get sufficient rest the night before any test sessions, to eat breakfast, and to extend their best effort. Children should also be encouraged to bring a water bottle to school; hydration is a key to concentration. It is imperative that all children be in school during testing. Please try to avoid any appointments or trips that will prevent your child from attending school.

| Grade/Test Session | Dates |
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| Grade 4 MCAS: Math | May 11th and 12th |
| Grade 5 MCAS: Math | May 8th and 9th |
| Grade 5 MCAS: Science, Technology, Engineering | May 16th and 17th |

A hard copy of this letter was sent home on Friday, January 6th with your child. Thank you in advance for your support and encouragement during the testing.

Sincerely,

Sharon and Scott

* This year, all Massachusetts students in 4th grade will be assessed using Computer-based Testing (CBT). In order to prepare our students for this testing, 4th grade students are participating in a keyboarding program from www.TypingClub.com. All students have accounts and passwords. We encourage students to practice keyboarding at home to prepare for the writing portions of the test. If you have questions about accessing the website or account information, please contact your child's homeroom teacher.

| Upcoming Events | Community News |
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| 5/8 - 3rd Grade Field Trip to Harvard Museum | LS Girls Basketball Summer Clinic |
| 5/8 - 5/9 5th Grade MCAS (MATH) | Metrowest Elite Girls Basketball Camp |
| 5/11 - 5/12 4th Grade MCAS (MATH) | LINX STEAM Camps |
| 5/13 - 5th Grade Car Wash | May 19th All Sports Boosters Golf Classic |
| 5/16 - 5/17 5th Grade MCAS (STE) | 2017 Hoops Clinics |
| 5/18- 3rd Grade Whale Day | SFN Kids Stuff Tag Sale |
| 5/19- Food Pantry Collection | Screenagers Movie In Lincoln |
| 5/24-5/26 4th Grade Odyssey Trip | Co-Ed Flag Rugby Registration |